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Fluids Valves of High Simplicity in Connecting Conduits

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 **Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2.	Applica	ant is
	[X]	a small entity
	[]	other than a small entity.
Service on	າ the date	CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8(a)) this paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United State Posta shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed as follows: Mail Stop Amendment Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
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EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE:	Non-Final Office	"Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) - If a timely and complete response has been filed after Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment aft expiration of the shortened statutory period.		
	a Notice of Appe the timely-filed re	al or filing and/orentry of esponse placed the applica	an additional amendment at ation in condition for allowand	ension of time is required to the statutory entry of the expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the control of the shortened statutory period unless to of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).
NOTE:	See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time reexamination proceedings.			ngs and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in
3.	The proceed	lings herein are for	a patent application a	and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply
		(comp	lete (a) or (b) as appl	licable)
	(a) [X]			f time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFF er of months checked below:
	Extension	F	ee for other than	Fee for
	(months)		Small Entity	Small Entity
	one month		\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
	two months	_	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
[X]	three months	•	\$1020.00 \$1500.00	\$ 510.00
	five months		\$1590.00 \$2160.00	\$ 795.00 \$1080.00
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Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee (Small Entity)	Additional Fee (Large Entity)
Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(i)*	16	-20 =	(4)	x \$ 25.00	\$0	\$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(h)***	2	-3 =	(1)	x \$ 100.00	\$0	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent claim(s) if any (37 CFR 1.16(j))	0			\$180.00	\$0	\$0
Total Additional Fee					\$0	\$0

If the "Highest No. Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20". If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3".

The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

"After final rejection or action (S 1.113) amendments may be made cancelling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 CFR S 1.116(a) (emphasis added). WARNING:

(complete (c) or (d) as applicable)

(c)	[X]	No additional fee for claims is required.
		OR
(d)	[]	Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5.	[X]	Attached is a check in the sum of \$510.00
	[].	Charge Account No the sum of \$

FEE DEFICIENCY

NOTE:

If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6. [X] If any overpayment of fees or additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. <u>06-2360</u>.

AND/OR

Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226-0618

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